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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, TP, GB
SUBJECT: SAO TOME LIBERATION MOVEMENT ACTIVITIES

REFERENCE: LIBREVILLE 1000; LISBON 3315 (NOTAL)

1. IN DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED AUGUST 12 (COPIES BEING POUCHED ACTION ADDRESSEES) EMBASSY OF GABON FORWARDED STATEMENT BY GOG PLEDGING SUPPORT TO LIBERATION MOVEMENT OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE (MLSTP). NOTE DESCRIBED MLSTP AS "ONLY POLITICAL MOVEMENT" AND "THE REPRESENTATIVE ORGANIZATION" IN THE ISLANDS. EXPRESSING ASTONISHMENT THAT PORTUGAL HAD "OBVIOUSLY FORGOTTEN" THE ISLANDS, STATEMENT SAID GOG WISHES AVOID VIOLENCE AND URGES PORTUGUESE TO ENTER DIALOGUE WITH MLSTP. MESSAGE WARNED THAT IF "VIOLENT ACTION" NECESSARY, "COUNTRIES OTHER THAN GABON ARE
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PREPARED TO ARM SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE."

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2. FOR LIBREVILLE AND LUANDA: IN LIGHT OF APPARENT STRENGTH OF CABINDA SEPARATIST FEELING AS REPORTED LUANDA 819, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION FURTHER TO THAT CONTAINED LIBREVILLE 1000 ON MLSTP, ITS STRENGTH AND PROBABLE GOG INTENTIONS TOWARD ISLANDS.

3. FOR LISBON: DEPARTMENT IS AWARE OF ONLY ONE GOP PUBLIC REFERENCE TO SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, THAT BEING COMMUNIQUE

ISSUED AT END OF WALDHEIM VISIT IN EARLY AUGUST WHICH RECOGNIZED RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE FOR ISLANDS. HAVE PORTUGUESE GIVEN ANY OTHER THOUGHT TO ISLANDS' FUTURE? INGERSOLL

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